

REMARKS**Summary of the Office Action**

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Summary of the Response to the Office Action

Applicants have amended each of independent claims 8, 9, 13 and 14 to improve the form of the claims. Withdrawn claims 1-7 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Accordingly, claims 8, 9, 13 and 14 currently remain pending for consideration.

Claim Objections

Claims 8-9 and 13-14 are objected to because of alleged informalities. Applicants have amended each of independent claims 8, 9, 13 and 14 to improve the form of the claims by incorporating the Examiner's helpful suggestions as provided at pages 2-5 of the Office Action. Applicants note that it appears that the Examiner's suggestions include apparent typographical issues. For example, at page 5, line 1 of the Office Action, the Examiner refers to "has a wavelength blocked by the optical means" in lines 19-20 of claim 14. However, claim 14 does not recite an "optical means." Accordingly, Applicants implemented a similar amendment to claim 14, for example, in order to be consistent with the features described in the claim at issue. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objections to claims 8-9 and 13-14 is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

As no rejections or other objections remain in this application, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative to expedite prosecution. A favorable action is awaited.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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